



2020 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements Construction Update #16 – 9/25/2020

What has happened during the past week?

- Concrete curb and gutter installation has begun on the Cannon Street area.
- Sidewalk installation has begun on 15th Street West.
- Boulevard topsoil replacement and grading has begun on 15th Street West.
- Grading of Cannon Street in advance of paving has begun.

What is scheduled for the week of September 28th?

15th Street East:

- **Concrete Curb and Gutter:** Concrete curb and gutter placement will begin early in the week. Affected properties will receive door-to-door notification in advance of this work.
- **Sidewalk & Driveways:** Concrete sidewalk and driveways will be poured after curb and gutter is completed.

15th Street West:

- **Boulevard Restoration and Seeding:** Crews will continue filling in and grading the topsoil in disturbed areas. Re-establishment of boulevard grass will begin with the installation of blown compost seeding on backfilled areas.
- **Manhole and Gate Valve Adjustment:** Installation and adjustment of cast iron manholes and water valve access covers up to final pavement grade may begin late in the week.

Cannon St Area:

- **Concrete Curb and Gutter:** Concrete curb and gutter placement will be completed on 23rd, 24th and 25th St W.
- **Sidewalk and Driveways:** New sidewalk along Cannon Park between 31st Street and Hackberry Drive will be installed and concrete driveway replacements will begin on 23rd, 24th and 25th Street.
- **Spot Curb on Cannon & 22nd St W:** Preparation of removed curb and driveway aprons on Cannon St and 22nd St W will continue and replacement concrete in removed areas will begin. Properties affected by driveway apron replacements will be notified in advance of concrete work.



Concrete crews pouring new sidewalk along 15th Street West by Pioneer Park.



New boulevard areas on 15th Street West are filling in with topsoil in advance of seeding.

Who do I contact with questions or for assistance?

Project management services are being provided by the City's Engineering Department. The department can be reached at **(651) 480-2334** with project questions and concerns.

Spread the Word & Encourage E-Updates!

Please make sure to share this information with your neighbors and tenants, and encourage them to sign up for at least one of the two electronic updates options if they have not yet done so!

- **E-Notifications** - Sign up for email updates on our website at www.hastingsmn.gov. Click on the *E-notifications* button at the bottom of the page, and sign up for "2020 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements".
- **Text Messages** – this is a great way to have the information in the palm of your hand! You'll receive a weekly text message from us with a direct web link to the current construction update. Text **2020STREETS** to **888777** to enroll. Reply STOP at any point to opt out.



Next week you may be wondering, why are they cutting into the new pavement on 15th Street West already?

When the first layer of asphalt is placed, most of the manholes and gate valves in the street are left below ground. If you look around the project at the first layer of new asphalt this weekend, you may notice that there are no manhole or gate valve covers visible. This is because the metal castings (which include the covers) have not been installed yet. The gravel base would not be able to be graded accurately if all the structures were set to finished grade because the grading equipment uses wide blades to get a consistent slope on the streets. Additionally, the height of the castings in the street are only able to be set accurately after the first layers of pavement have been placed. Doing so involves cutting out the areas of asphalt around the manholes and gate valves, digging down to them, and installing and adjusting the height of the castings to be close to the eventual level of the final layer of asphalt. Not too high (snowplows and vehicles would hit and damage them) and not too low (to maintain a smooth ride when vehicles cross them.) The areas of removed base gravel and pavement are then patched back in, and the street is ready for the final layer of pavement!

